

**CITY OF BEECH GROVE
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
MONDAY NOVEMBER 20th, 2017**

Mayor Buckley called the meeting to order at 6:07pm.

ROLL CALL: Board of Works Members, Sandy Seward, Dave Harrison and Mayor Buckley were present. Also in attendance, were Clerk-Treasurer Dan McMillan and City Attorney, Craig Wiley.

MEETING MINUTES: Clerk Treasurer Dan McMillan presented minutes from the November 6th, 2017 meeting to the Board for approval. Sandy Seward moved to approve the minutes as presented. Dave Harrison seconded the Motion; which was approved by unanimous voice vote. Sandy requested a little more detail be put into the minutes. Dan explained that some complained the minutes were to long in the past. Note* The Council voted that only their votes and ending comments would be included in their minutes, so all the minutes have been done the same for about the past year.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS: Corporate Claims in the amount of **\$709,671.56** were presented to the Board for approval. Sandy Seward moved to approve the claims. Dave Harrison seconded the Motion; which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

NJPA Purchase for Trash Trucks – DPW

Brad Meriwether, DPW Director, explained the advantages to using the services of NJPA in the bidding process and they are state approved for the service. One trash truck will be purchased in 2018 and one in 2019. Sandy Seward moved to approve the purchase of trash trucks. Dave Harrison seconded the Motion; which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Rate Increase for Covanta

Brad explained that he negotiated with Covanta as they were originally looking to increase the fees 5.5%, after negotiations it was agreed that the increase would be 3.5% or \$1.11 per ton. The reason for the increase in Beech Grove rates is to catch them up with other communities. Sandy Seward moved to approve the rate increase. Dave Harrison seconded the Motion; which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

New Hire – BGF D

Chief Cheshire asked for approval to hire Jason Lamping beginning December 2, 2017. His payrate will be \$1,859.87 per pay period. This is a replacement for Andrew Johnson. Jason Lamping completed the Beech Grove/Brownsburg Fire/EMT program in July and was Number 1 in his class. He also served in the Marines for 4 years and is currently serving in the Marines Reserve.

Sandy Seward moved to approve the start date for Jason Lamping to be December 2nd, 2017. Dave Harrison seconded the Motion; which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

2018 Roadway Improvements – United Consulting

Brian Pierson presented the proposal for professional services for the 2018 Local Roadway Improvements Projects. The total amount of the contract is \$132,000.00; which includes all professional services until the projects are complete. Discussion took place regarding the Community Crossing Grant. As part of the grant the projects must be awarded construction by mid-April.

Sandy Seward moved to approve the contract. Dave Harrison seconded the Motion; which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Request to Refurbish Medic 58 – BGF D

Chief Cheshire asked the Board for approval for the refurbishment of Medic 58 and stated this has been done several times and saves the city money. Sandy Seward moved to approve the refurbishment of Medic 58. Dave Harrison seconded the Motion; which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Sewer Backup 2222 Main Street

Brad explained that the homeowner tried to contact DPW regarding a sewer back-up on Monday, November 6, 2017 after hours and somehow this complaint did not get to DPW from afterhours dispatch. This was a rarity that this happened. DPW stated the sewer main was backed up and the homeowner called a plumber because she thought the problem could be theirs and she was unable to reach DPW. Sandy Seward moved to approve the payment of \$314.00 to the homeowner for the plumbing bill that they incurred. Dave Harrison seconded the Motion which was approved by unanimous voice vote.

COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS: Sandy Seward wanted to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

ADJOURNMENT: Sandy Seward moved to adjourn. Dave Harrison seconded the Motion which was approved by unanimous voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 6:46pm. The next meeting will be Monday, December 4th, 2017 at 6:00 pm. at City Hall Council Chambers.

Dennis Buckley, Mayor

Dan McMillan, Clerk Treasurer
